

Yugoslavia to accept NATO's conditions to halt the air campaign;

Whereas this accomplishment has been achieved at a minimal loss of life and number of casualties among American and NATO forces;

Whereas to date two Americans have been killed in the line of duty;

Whereas hundreds of thousands of Kosovar civilians have been ethnically cleansed, deported, detained, or killed by Serb security forces: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That:

(1) The Congress expresses the appreciation of the Nation to:

(A) The United States Armed Forces who participated in Operation Allied Force and served and succeeded in the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

(B) The families of American service men and women participating in Operation Allied Force, who have bravely borne the burden of separation from their loved ones, and staunchly supported them during the conflict.

(C) President Clinton, Commander in Chief of U.S. Armed Forces, for his leadership during Operation Allied Force.

(D) Secretary of Defense William Cohen, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Henry Shelton and Supreme Allied Commander-Europe General Wesley Clark, for their planning and implementation of Operation Allied Force.

(E) Secretary Albright and other Administration officials engaged in diplomatic efforts to resolve the Kosovo conflict.

(F) All of the forces from our NATO allies, who served with distinction and success.

[(G) The front line states, Albania, Macedonia, Bulgaria and Romania, who experience firsthand the instability produced by the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia's policy of ethnic cleansing.]

(2) The Congress notes with deep sadness the loss of life on all sides in Operation Allied Force.

(3) The Congress demands from Slobodan Milosevic:

(A) The withdrawal of all Yugoslav and Serb forces from Kosovo according to relevant provisions of the Military-Technical Agreement between NATO and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

(B) A permanent end to the hostilities in Kosovo by Yugoslav and Serb forces.

(C) The unconditional return to their homes of all Kosovar citizens displaced by Serb aggression.

(D) Unimpeded access for humanitarian relief operations in Kosovo.

(4) The Congress urges the leadership of the Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA) to ensure KLA compliance with the ceasefire and demilitarization obligations.

(5) The Congress urges and expects all nations to cooperate fully with the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and to assist in bringing indicted war criminals, including Slobodan Milosevic and other Serb military and political leaders, to justice.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOMINATION OF RICHARD L. MORNINGSTAR, OF MASSACHUSETTS, TO BE THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE EUROPEAN UNION

Mr. SESSIONS. In executive session, I ask unanimous consent, on behalf of the majority leader, that the nomination of Richard Morningstar be discharged from the Foreign Relations Committee, and that the Senate proceed to its consideration. I further ask unanimous consent that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, any statements relating to the nomination be printed at the appropriate place in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nomination considered and confirmed is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Richard L. Morningstar, of Massachusetts, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the European Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR—H.R. 1664

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator STROM THURMOND, I ask unanimous consent that the privilege of the floor be granted to Ernie Coggins, a legislative fellow, during the pendency of the emergency steel loan guarantee program and emergency steel, oil and gas loan guarantee program, H.R. 1664.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 96-388, as amended by Public Law 97-84, appoints the following Senators to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council:

The Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH); The Senator from Alaska (Mr. MURKOWSKI); and

The Senator from Michigan (Mr. ABRAHAM).

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 1999

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Sen-

ate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, June 18. I further ask that on Friday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate proceed to a final passage vote relative to the oil, gas, steel loan program.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. SESSIONS. I further ask that following that vote, the Senate proceed to the State Department authorization bill under a previous consent agreement.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, tomorrow the Senate will convene at 9:30 a.m. and proceed immediately to a roll-call vote on passage of H.R. 1664. Following that vote, the Senate will begin the State Department authorization bill. Several amendments are expected to be offered. Therefore, additional votes could occur until the hour of 11:45 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. SESSIONS. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment, under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:17 p.m., adjourned until Friday, June 18, 1999, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate June 17, 1999:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

F. WHITTEN PETERS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, VICE SHEILA E. WIDNALL, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

STUART E. EIZENSTAT, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, VICE LAWRENCE H. SUMMERS.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MICHAEL A. SHEEHAN, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE COORDINATOR FOR COUNTERTERRORISM, WITH THE RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR AT LARGE. (NEW POSITION)

THE JUDICIARY

MARYANNE TRUMP BARRY, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE THIRD CIRCUIT, VICE H. LEE SAROKIN, RETIRED.
JAMES E. DUFFY, JR., OF HAWAII, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT, VICE CYNTHIA HOLCOMB HALL, RETIRED.
ELENA KAGAN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT, VICE JAMES L. BUCKLEY, RETIRED.

CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate June 17, 1999: